

# UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME

## FINANCE



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# Preparing you for success

At Henley, our aim is to increase your knowledge, skills and confidence, and prepare you for professional careers – some of them in roles that may not even exist yet. We want to help you find your feet and make your mark.

Henley is one of just 100 business schools in the world to hold triple-accredited status for the quality of its teaching and faculty.



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## Henley Careers & Professional Development

Henley Careers & Professional Development offers you a lot on top of your degree. We can help you plan your career, develop your interview and application skills, build your confidence and give you advice on different career journeys. We can also help with placement year applications.

Some examples of what we offer:

- One-to-one career support
- Employer panels where you can ask your questions
- Skills development masterclasses

## Our location

All undergraduate programmes are taught at the University's Whiteknights campus in Reading. Set in extensive, green parkland, the campus has achieved the Green Flag Award for its high standard. With excellent rail and road links, Reading is easy to get to for both UK and international students. This vibrant town, within walking distance of the University campus, offers some of the best retail and entertainment experiences in the UK.

## Fun that's really social

When you're not studying, you can join one of our 150+ clubs and societies; work up a sweat at the University SportsPark; visit the beautiful Harris Gardens; or watch a film at the Reading Film Theatre.



## Why choose the ICMA Centre?

The ICMA Centre is one of the top schools for finance in Europe. Being a part of it, you will benefit from state-of-the-art facilities with the latest technology and you will be taught by world-renowned faculty and industry experts.

The innovative teaching and learning environment includes three dealing rooms which are equipped with Refinitiv and Bloomberg terminals. These supply live market data and news alongside advanced trading simulation software and will help you learn the secrets of trading and experience the thrill of a real-life market setting.

Our dedicated year-round careers service is available to support you during your time as a student with us. Plus, we offer a range of events that you can be a part of, including our flagship event 'Industry Insights' – a series of talks that give students the opportunity to hear from industry thought leaders.

### Entry requirements:

#### BSc Finance (with pathways)

**Typical offer:** ABB including A Level or AS level Mathematics at grade B

**IB:** 32 points overall including 5 in one of the following subjects: Standard level Mathematics, Standard level Mathematics: analysis and approaches, Standard level Mathematics: applications and interpretations.

**GCSE:** English at grade B (or 5)

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**GCSE:** English at grade B (or 5)

## Why study BSc Finance and Management with the University of Venice?

If you are looking for a successful future in finance or business, our BSc Finance and Management is a unique three-year experience. It is taught entirely in English but partly based in Venice.

You will study your first and third year at the ICMA Centre, part of our triple-accredited Henley Business School. Your second year will be spent at the Ca' Foscari University of Venice, a prestigious institution housed in a Venetian Gothic palace on the Grand Canal and one of the highest ranked universities in Italy. As well as the educational benefits, you will also have all the cultural advantages of spending time in the vibrant city of Venice.

You can gain a competitive edge in the international business market with a CV enhanced by this experience. You will also pay reduced fees in your second year, with a scholarship from the University.

[▶ Click here to find out more, read Georgia Nicklin's blog outlining her amazing year in Venice.](#)

### BSc Finance (International Business)

This pathway provides you with an in-depth understanding of the interrelationships between finance and the global economy, plus it prepares you to manage financial and business operations in an increasingly complex environment.

**Example modules:**

- Management Accounting
- Business Strategy
- Strategy and International Business

**UCAS codes:**  
N390 (3 years)  
N391 (4 years)  
READG R12 (University)

### BSc Finance with the University of Venice

This distinctive course includes a year of study at the prestigious Ca' Foscari University of Venice. It attracts a £4,000 scholarship against the fees for all home and EU students and is taught entirely in English.

**Year 1** You will study economics, accounting and finance and be introduced to securities dealing

**Year 2.** You will study HR management, international business strategy, marketing, management accounting and business law at the University of Venice. Your year abroad will enhance your career prospects by giving you an international perspective.

**Final Year.** You can tailor your degree towards your own interests through our range of optional modules.

**Example modules:**

- Advanced Business Finance
- Management of Risk
- Digital Marketing

**UCAS codes:**  
NN23 (3 years)  
READG R12 (University)

**||** The thing which sets ICMA apart: the uncontested access to practical study facilities. Having three separate dealing rooms and access to Bloomberg and Reuters terminals has enriched my learning experience here more than I could have imagined.

Ellis Murley, BSc Finance and Investment Banking

### BSc Finance (FinTech)

Technology has profoundly changed the financial world. This pathway equips you for a career in the rapidly expanding FinTech sector by developing your knowledge in areas such as information systems, cryptocurrency and programming.

**Example modules:**

- Programming for Finance
- An Introduction to the Management of Information Systems
- Fintech and Cryptocurrencies

**UCAS codes:**  
N360 (3 years)  
N361 (4 years)  
READG R12 (University)

### BSc Finance (with pathways)

This flexible degree combines finance theory with highly relevant practical skills, making you a valuable asset to a company from your very first day. You can either stay on the general programme in finance or tailor your study through specialised pathways.

All pathways are available as three or four-year degrees, with option for either a placement year or a year studying abroad, we can't guarantee it.

**Example modules:**

- Introductory Finance/Trading Simulation
- Management of Risk
- Portfolio Management

**UCAS codes:**  
N300 (3 years)  
N303 (4 years)  
General Programme

### BSc Finance (Investments)

This pathway gives you the knowledge and skills needed to make financial decisions and manage risk in a banking environment.

**Example modules:**

- Introductory Econometrics for Finance
- FX and International Debt Markets
- Advanced Derivative Securities: Hedging and Trading

**UCAS codes:**  
N301 (3 years)  
N310 (4 years)  
READG R12 (University)

### BSc Finance (Sustainable Finance)

Social and environmental principles are increasingly important in finance. This pathway will develop your knowledge of responsible investments, corporate social responsibility and environmental economics and help you make financial decisions with sustainability in mind.

**Example modules:**

- Sustainable Finance
- Environmental Economics
- Responsible Investment and Sustainability Reporting

**UCAS codes:**  
N370 (3 years)  
N371 (4 years)  
READG R12 (University)

# Our Programme Rankings

**#10**

in the UK for research quality<sup>(1)</sup>

**#12**

in the UK for student continuation to second year<sup>(2)</sup>

**#19**

in the UK for overall subject<sup>(3)</sup>

**#17**

in the UK for graduate career prospects<sup>(4)</sup>



(1) Complete University Guide, 2020, subject results for 'Accounting & Finance'. The University of Reading scored 3.11 for Research Quality, which puts it 10th in this subject area

(2) Guardian university league table 2020, subject results for 'Accounting & Finance'. The University of Reading scored 96.4% for Continuation, which puts it 12th in this subject area

(3) Times/Sunday Times university league table 2020, subject results for 'Accounting & Finance'

(4) Complete University Guide, 2020, subject results for 'Accounting & Finance'. The University of Reading scored 88% for Graduate Prospects, which puts it 17th in this subject area

'The University of Reading scored 88% for Graduate Prospects, which puts it 17th in this subject area' (same for research quality: 'The University of Reading scored 3.11 for Research Quality, which puts it 10th in this subject area', and continuation: 'The University of Reading scored 96.4% for Continuation, which puts it 12th in this subject area')

## Placements

Our Finance programmes allow you to undertake a work placement in your third year. This will further develop your knowledge and skills, could strengthen your CV and graduate employment prospects, and can help you build a professional network. In some cases, a successful placement may lead to the offer of a permanent role.

## Study abroad

While most undergraduate students can choose to apply to spend a year abroad, it is a competitive process. The number of places at partner institutions can vary year on year. The University cannot guarantee every applicant the possibility to study abroad, or in a particular country or institution.

## International students

As part of the University of Reading, Henley Business School is home to a diverse and inclusive international community. The University's International Office provides support and advice to students, including pre-departure briefings, an airport 'meet and greet' service, welcome events, an orientation programme, and specialist advice on matters ranging from student finance to accommodation.

All international student enquiries are handled centrally by the University of Reading [international@reading.ac.uk](mailto:international@reading.ac.uk) or visit [reading.ac.uk/international](http://reading.ac.uk/international)



## How to apply

Competition for places on our undergraduate degree programmes is strong, so we advise that you apply as early as possible.

All applications, whether you are from the UK, EU or overseas, should be made through UCAS using the University of Reading's UCAS code: R12

Find out more at:

[reading.ac.uk/how-to-apply](http://reading.ac.uk/how-to-apply)

### Fees, funding and scholarships

For information about tuition fees, living costs and financial support, visit: [reading.ac.uk/moneymatters](http://reading.ac.uk/moneymatters)

To find out about our scholarships, visit: [henley.ac.uk/ugscholarships](http://henley.ac.uk/ugscholarships)

For information on UK government funding, including tuition fee and maintenance loans, visit: [gov.uk/studentfinance](http://gov.uk/studentfinance)

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